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September 6, 2005

IN REPLY PLEASE

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

### **CHANGES IN WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5 3 VOTES**

#### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes for the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000789 - Mindora Drain, City of Torrance (4), Mladen Grbavac Construction, in amount of \$51,229.00.

Project ID No. FMD0002049 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2005, San Gabriel River Watershed, et al., vicinities of Pico Rivera, Lakewood, and Covina (1, 4, and 5), Ron's Maintenance, in amount of \$7,769.50.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extension are listed in the enclosure for each contract.

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The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID No. FMD0002049.

Also, enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of the delegated limits which are required to complete Project ID No. FCC0000789.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of these changes in work, which are necessary to satisfactorily complete the projects, is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since the improved infrastructure will better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts are \$51,229.00 and \$7,769.50.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes and contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosures do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts and result in complete and usable facilities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)  
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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000789, MINDORA DRAIN (City of Torrance),  
Supervisory District 4, Contractor: Mladen Grbavac Construction

Project Description:

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain, drainage structures, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Cross Gutter Overlay	\$25,200.00
(2) Sidewalk and Curb and Gutter Restoration	18,029.00
(3) Change Catch Basin Type	6,000.00
(4) Unmarked Utilities	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	<u>\$51,229.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) As a result of the new storm drain construction, the existing concrete cross gutters are no longer required. Therefore, they will be overlaid with asphalt and new street crowns will be established. These changes are necessary to meet the intent of the design.

(2) Additional damaged sidewalk and curb and gutter will be replaced than what was originally estimated.

(3) Due to the steep grade of various streets within the project limits, it will be necessary to change several of the proposed catch basins to grate type catch basins to properly intercept street flows.

(4) It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for delays due to two interfering gas lines encountered during excavation. One line was not marked, and the other was marked incorrectly.

The costs for Items 1, 2, and a portion of the costs for Item 3 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The balance of the cost for Item 3 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 4 will be based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,285,995.00
Changes in work previously approved by the Board	131,568.16
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>51,229.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$1,468,792.16</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (RATIFY)  
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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0002049, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2005, SAN GABRIEL RIVER WATERSHED, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Pico Rivera, Lakewood, and Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1, 4, and 5, Contractor: Ron's Maintenance

Project Description:

Clean out 22,053 catch basins at various locations in the County.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$5,381.25
(2) Clean Additional City of Whittier Catch Basins	2,337.00
(3) Clean Additional City of Duarte Catch Basins	<u>51.25</u>
Total	<u>\$7,769.50</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The City of Whittier requested cleaning of 228 additional city-owned catch basins. The City will reimburse the County for the cost of this work which was not shown on the plans.

(3) The City of Duarte requested cleaning of 5 additional city-owned catch basins. The City will reimburse the County for the cost of this work which was not shown on the plans.

The costs for these items were based on contract unit prices.

Three additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$226,043.25
Changes in work to be ratified	<u>7,769.50</u>

Revised contract amount	<u>\$233,812.75</u>
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